September 14, 2010

Work Session of the City of Hiram, Georgia 217 Main Street, Hiram, Georgia Hiram City Hall

The work session for September 14, 2010 of the City of Hiram was called to order by Mayor Rollins as 5:30 pm.

Work Session attendees: Mayor Carmen C. Rollins, Mayor Pro Tem Jack Paris, Councilman Derrick Battle, Councilwoman Earlene Graham, Councilwoman Teresa Philyaw, Councilwoman Helena Williams, City Clerk Terri Holley, Deputy City Clerk Jill Head, City Operations Manager Jody Palmer, Police Chief Gary Yandura, Angela Wingers, Chris Barker

- 1. City Clerk Terri Holley explained the amendments made to the fiscal year 09/10 General Fund and Hotel/Motel Fund budgets. No further discussion took place.
- 2. Mayor Rollins asked the Council to review and discuss the fiscal year 10/11 General Fund, Water Revenue Fund, Hotel/Motel Fund, and Sanitation Fund budgets. No discussion took place.
- 3. City Operations Manager Jody Palmer discussed the three quotes received for the Dallas Street Drainage Project. The quotes ranged from approximately \$69,000.00 to \$88,000.00. The Council asked if all companies were equally qualified to satisfactorily complete the job. Mr. Palmer confirmed that all companies were invited to provide a quote and that he would be comfortable with any one of these companies completing the job satisfactorily.
- 4. City Operations Manager Jody Palmer explained to the Council that Talbot Construction has requested a change order due to the Fire Marshall inspection which requires certain codes be met including an emergency outside stair for evacuation and an upgraded fire alarm system that is not proprietary.
- 5. City Operations Manager Jody Palmer discussed the sanitation contract the City of Hiram has with Waste Industries who has provided sanitation service for the city for nearly three years. The contract states that the City can extend the agreement with Waste Industries at the same rates for an additional year if desired. Mr. Palmer's recommendation to the Council was to extend the contract in order for the City of Hiram to be able to research and potentially include a recycling option or a commercial aspect to the future contract.
- 6. Mayor Rollins asked the Council to review the information about the millage rate and the calculations used to assess the millage rate at 2.4 mills in order to roll back and declare no property taxes in the City of Hiram. No discussion took place.
- 7. Councilperson Helena Williams asked that the fiscal year 10/11 budgets not be voted on until after the closed session in order to discuss personnel issues.

8. Mayor Rollins relayed to the Council that one of the representatives for the City of Hiram on the Economic Development Organization Board, Wayne Burns, has asked that Hiram select another candidate to replace him because he will not be able to continue his role as the City's representative.

Jill Head Deputy City Clerk